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Basic Fee						770
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- X 5. The following additional documents are enclosed: Information Disclosure, a copy of the application filed in Attorney Docket No. 307218.01/MSFTI122175, filed March 10, 2004, and 7 cited references.

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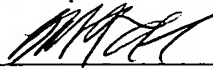
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